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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated February 26, 2002, a copy of which is attached herewith.

The Office is advised that the Combined Declaration & Power of Attorney for this application was filed on January 8, 2002, together with a check in payment of the surcharge. A copy of the postcard which has been date-stamped by the Office acknowledging receipt is attached herewith.

It is therefore believed that all formal requirements of the Office have now been met.

Respectfully submitted,

March 12, 2002
Date

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